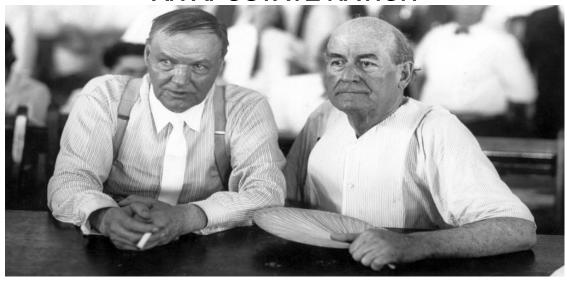


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MEDIA "MAGIC"

HOW THE "MEDIUMS" TRANSFORMED AMERICA FROM THE VANGUARD OF CHRISTIANITY IN THE MODERN WORLD INTO AN APOSTATE NATION



Clarence Darrow and William Jennings Bryan prior to their debate over biblical truth in the Scopes Trial

(c) by Paul Warren Dinger, founding editor of the Boston Review of the arts

As America approaches the century anniversary of the twin birth of the mass media and the "Culture War," let's define exactly what the "Culture War" is. Under the covers, the "Culture" War is a *religious civil war*. Furious atheists began this civil "Jihad" in the media against America's spiritual foundation - biblical Christianity and the national belief that America is the fulfillment of a big Bible prophecy.¹

The difference between America at the start of the 20th century and at the start of the 21st century could be described, spiritually, as a veritable Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde. The mass media, we know today, with its multiple tentacles, was born in the 1920s and has been the agent of change, the instrument of transformation. Nothing shows the day-and-night American character metamorphosis from the beginning of the 20th century to the beginning of the 21st century more definitively than the first presidential election of the 20th century. Did you know that both candidates in the 1900 presidential election were what would be defined today as "fundamentalists" - that is - believers in *the* "fundamental truths" of the Bible?

¹ For a full explanation of this, see Last Day Beacon's October, November 2018 and January 2019 issues (online at swpm.us).

President William McKinley's re-election campaign theme was based on a colonial prophecy that America was the fulfillment of the prophet Daniel's Fifth Empire, the "Stone Mountain." ² (Most Americans don't read or understand the Bible anymore and they have been indoctrinated by the media to view "fundamentalism" as "Jihad" and the obstacle to *utopia*.) This is hard to believe today, as the Democrat Party is harshly anti-Christian, but McKinley's Democrat presidential opponent, William Jennings Bryan, was seen as the upholder of American fundamentalism. In the 1900 election, the big question in voters' minds was which candidate was the sincerest Bible believer who held America as God's Chosen Nation in the modern world. Today the media scorns those who believe those ideas as ignorant, hateful, stupid, dangerous - and even "evil."

As we will see, 25 years later, Bryan became the victim of a mammoth mind control hoax that character-assassinated America's three-century belief that the United States is the outworking in real time of Daniel's chapter 2:35 prophecy. Bryan strangely died a few days after the trial. Had he lived, he would have, with his famed eloquence, revealed and destroyed the hoax. Instead, America's fundamental beliefs about the Bible and America received a near fatal wound in this "trial." And strangely, Bryan, the Democrat Fundamentalist "hero" was the first casualty of the Media's War Against American Evangelicalism - a.k.a. the Culture War.

Ever since his sudden death, the media has portrayed Bryan, the political and cultural hero of the early 20th century, as the symbol of ignorant, antiquated religion. From then on, the media presented Fundamentalism in a "militant" war with the modern world. In a surreal inversion, a century later, the Democrat Party is as anti-Christian as Islamic Jihadists.



Darrow scoffs at the Bible

THE "SCOPES MONKEY TRIAL"

The **first** move in the Culture War started in the precise middle of the 1920s (July 1925) with the highly publicized "Scopes Monkey Trial." The Bible prophecy ideas that shaped America for the vast majority of American history (300 years) were maliciously character-assassinated by anti-Christian mind molesters as the sign of a feeble mind. The atheist case that played out in the Scopes Trial, broadcast across America by the media, was not an intellectually superior argument. It was a scientifically

² McKinley's 1900 campaign theme – "Westward the star of empire makes its way . . ." was drawn from a 1726 prophecy by one of Britain's great intellects. In 1726, Bishop George Berkeley forecast that America is the outworking of Daniel's "Stone Mountain" empire. (p. 140, *God's New Israel: Religious Interpretations of American Destiny*, editor Conrad Cherry, 1971, Prentice Hall.) The November 2018 LDB explains how the symbolism on America's flag and Great Seal were based on Berkeley's prophecy (online at swpm.us).

designed mind-control trick by public relations experts using Sigmund Freud's discoveries about the subconscious, Hollywood's narrative techniques to create lasting impressions, and then flooded into the American mind by the media.

In the background of the Scopes Trial is the international communist revolution with its sworn goal of transforming the world into a Marxist paradise. For decades American socialists and Soviet-paid American communists had been trying to remake America into a European socialist nation. Joseph Stalin, with his aggressive world domination program had just succeeded Vladimir Lenin as leader of the Soviet Union. Let's remember that the Soviet backed American Progressive Party was born in 1912 with Theodore Roosevelt (TR) as its first candidate. The presidential administration of TR's cousin, Franklin Roosevelt (FDR), was infested with Soviet agents up into the Oval Office.

What becomes obvious in hindsight is that the Scopes Trial was a "progressive" conspiracy involving a full range of leftists and atheists. The ACLU, socialists, members of the American Communist Party, public relations experts skilled at creating public opinions, notorious atheist attorney Clarence Darrow and a rabidly anti-Fundamentalist Unitarian celebrity named Charles Potter, were just a few of the players in this dark league. Even the judge in the trial seems to have been part of this mind-control experiment. He allowed Darrow to spend a great deal of time in the sweltering trial on Bible stuff that had nothing to do with the question the trial addressed. And then at the end the judge warned the jury to disregard the Bible stuff.

The fact that an army of reporters showed up at an ordinary local trial in backwoods Tennessee shows that public relations experts had been hard at work behind the scenes. The trial was then hijacked, perverted and inflated into "the trial of the century" through the media megaphone that created the monumental impression in the American mind that fundamentalism was moronic. The goal of this conspiracy was overwhelmingly achieved by this media mind-manipulation. From then on, the foundational beliefs America rested on - that America was God's country and the fulfillment of Bible prophecy - was sabotaged and vandalized by a 24-7 media chorus. Americans came to view fundamentalism in the realm of simple-minded "hicks."

Scholars have chronicled the fact that up to 1925, most Americans agreed with *The Fundamentals*, a 1909 book series on *the fundamental ideas of the Bible*. *The Fundamentals* remains as one of *the most* refined and intellectual analyses of the Bible. Darrow's malevolent attack on "fundamentalism" had the effect of a nuclear strike on a foundational American belief that goes back genealogically to 17th century English intellectuals. The origin of American fundamentalism was not in backwoods Tennessee, but rather in England's great universities, Oxford and Cambridge. This suggests an intellectual connection between those Tennessee "rubes" in the Scopes Trial audience and ideas from Cambridge and Oxford universities.

"MIDDLETOWN"

The scientific beginnings of the Scopes conspiracy become evident a year before the Scopes trial in a study done by a socialist husband-wife sociologist team, Robert and Helen Lynd. Beginning in 1924, and funded by a grant from the leftist Institute of Social and Religious Research, the Lynds surveyed middle-class Americans, finding a culture of mostly conservative, churchgoers who largely agreed with "The Fundamentals." More than a decade after Scopes, the Lynds did a follow-up of their "Middletown" study documenting the sea change in attitudes toward the Bible.

It is here where the Scopes hoax begins looking like a scientific "experiment" in social engineering. When performing an experiment, scientists typically do a study of the subject prior to the treatment and then do a follow-up study afterwards to see the effect of the treatment. The Scopes Trial looks eerily like a devious mind-control experiment, involving psychology and sociology with the media manipulating and creating public opinion.

The Lynd's 1937 follow-up found that the word, "fundamentalism" had acquired an unpleasant odor and urban Christians in particular refused to accept the title, "fundamentalists." Yes, they believed the Bible, but not necessarily the "literal," i.e., fundamentalist interpretations. This was a benchmark in American history. In a mere decade, public opinion on the Bible had changed dramatically from what it had been for the previous majority of history. ³

"HUMANISM: A NEW RELIGION"

The **second** move in this conspiracy to assassinate fundamentalism came five years after Scopes with the publication of Charles F. Potter's *Humanism: A New Religion*. Potter was the *Bible adviser* on Darrow's defense team in the Scopes Trial. It was Potter's vicious questions that Darrow used to humiliate beliefs that at the time most Americans had trusted. Potter began writing *Humanism, a New Religion* right after the Scopes trial with the purpose of replacing the *old* Protestant fundamentalism with a "new" American religion. **Humanism* was published in 1930, just in time for the presidential campaign of Franklin Roosevelt. Is it just coincidence that FDR's "New Deal" looks like the political expression of Potter's "new religion?"

Potter was a key part of this atheist crusade to destroy American Bible beliefs and substitute them with "Humanism" - a Man-is-God religion." To get an idea of the enormous significance of fundamentalism in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, William Jennings Bryan was the *Democrat candidate* in three successive presidential elections (1892, 1896 and 1900). The Republican Party was established in 1854 as the political arm of American evangelicals.

Bryan had worked with Darrow before and joined the trial because he thought the trial would be a fair fight. He was astonished at Darrow's hostile humiliation of him on the stand. Instead, Bryan was deeply humiliated and, then oddly, he died a few days after the trial.

* Presenting *man as God* in his book, Potter recommended the new religion of Humanism be evangelized in public schools. "Education is . . . a most powerful ally of Humanism, and every American public school is a school of Humanism. What can the . . . Sunday schools, meeting for an hour once a week, and teaching only a fraction of the children, do to stem the tide of a five-day program of humanistic teaching?" page 128

³ In *The Demise of Biblical Civilization*, Grant Wacker points out how "an evangelical consensus powerfully gripped mainstream American culture" in the early 20th century. But in the decade after Scopes, "American Christianity was transformed from [a fundamental] set of beliefs to a social occasion." A number of scholars found the ten years after Scopes (1925 to 1935) "a watershed in American Christianity." (p. 122, *The Bible in America*, edited by Mark Noll.)

THE MYTH OF "SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE" IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Potter's Humanist co-religionist, John Dewey, the father of "progressive education," implemented Potter's *Humanism* evangelism plan. It is now the secret blueprint for taxpayer-funded public education. The reason evolution is an ironclad doctrine of public education is that it is the "Genesis," the creation story of Humanism. Evolution evicts the Creator God cited at the beginning of the Declaration of Independence and "elects" brilliant, powerful men as gods to rule "the people." Is this why evolution is so guarded in public schools - even though at least half of parents don't believe it and new scientific discoveries, like DNA, have made evolution theory look like outmoded 19th century science - like phrenology. All the grotesque ideas in American education today are the religious doctrines of *Humanism: a New Religion*.

This was, after all, Potter's and many Unitarian leaders' openly stated intent in the 1920s. The big secret today is that there is no separation of church and state in American education when it comes to this "new" occult religion." On one hand, the slightest expression of Christianity in schools is harshly banned as a danger to America. On the other hand, the "new religion" of Humanism is as brazenly propagated as Islam is indoctrinated in Iranian *madrassas*.

Let's remember that Potter was a famous Unitarian minister and Humanism is an updated revision of Unitarianism. Thomas Jefferson was a Unitarian and said he expected that one-day every American "would die a Unitarian." This Man-is-God theology is the secret religion of the Democrat Party and an idea imbedded in Darwinian evolution. The media and education joined together during the New Deal to become the preachers of the "new religion." This occult religious brotherhood could be called "The Media-Education Complex."

THE NEW DEAL

The **third** move in this atheist conspiracy is President Franklin Roosevelt's "New Deal." Potter's "New Religion" became the cryptic theology of Roosevelt's "New Deal." The Man-is-God theology of Humanism is also the spiritual foundation of socialism and communism. Communists are not atheists. They believe that brilliant men, *elected* by evolution, are "God, the Savior and Creator of heaven on earth." Let's remember that it was Roosevelt who inaugurated the every-American-goes-to-college era with his 1944 taxpayer funded GI Bill. Twenty years later, American campuses were on fire with radical Marxism and Revolution. Christianity and America itself had become evil in the eyes of campus radicals and many in the Baby Boom generation. Humanist theology - in the form of Marxist politics - had run rampant on campuses.

THE 1947 SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE RULING

The **fourth** move in this diabolical conspiracy came a mere 22 years after Scopes in a Supreme Court ruling. The tidal wave mutation in American opinion after World War II - that quarantined Bible and Christian speech from education, culture and politics - came just as Americans were welcoming their men back from the war. Although FDR had been dead for two years, his fingerprints were evident in the 1947 Supreme Court "separation of church and state" ruling. He had packed the high court with

"new dealers" who deviously reinvented America's largely fundamentalist-evangelical founding fathers as Euro-Socialists who were terrified that Christian beliefs would pollute the pure politics of American "democracy" and destroy the country.

The High Court threw this Hail Mary pass in the middle of the 20th century and set the stage for the anti-Bible-anti-Christian tone of the last half of the 20th century. Now Christianity and the Bible were not merely stupid, they were re-cast as a dark, dangerous cult that had to be restrained for the survival of History's Great Nation. In a historic benchmark, prayer, Bible reading, recitation of the Lord's Prayer and even Christmas celebrations became verboten in public schools for the first time. Saying "Jesus Christ" in public was only acceptable as a curse.

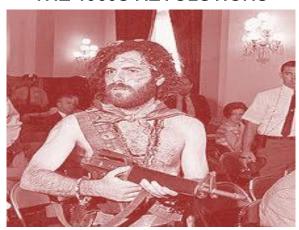
Let's remember just three of the many strange aspects of this ruling. (1) A Ku Klux Klan leader, Hugo Black, wrote the ruling. (2) The words by which America remembers that ruling are in the Soviet Union constitution - not the American constitution. "There shall be a separation of church" are the very words in the Soviet constitution. The American constitution merely bans a legally enacted state church, like the Church of England. The FDR High Court imported and pasted the Soviet constitution words over the First Amendment.

(3) How strange that Americans remember the words of the First Amendment by the words of the Soviet constitution. (4) And, why would America adopt a constitutional doctrine from the Soviet Union just as it was declaring cold war on America? Did it have something to do with FDR's secret love of communism?

What began with the Scopes character assassination of America's foundational spiritual beliefs - ideas that sparked both the Revolution and the Civil War - had in just 20-some years evolved into a national acceptance of banishing the Christian free speech that the First Amendment guarantees. One reaction to the anti-Christian High Court ruling was the adoption of a *fundamentalist* doctrine when a Republican president was restored. "In God We Trust," a paraphrase of Psalm 118:8, was enacted as America's national motto and put on American currency just a few years after the ban on Bible or Christian talk in public.

This mid-century Court edict was born along with the birth of the largest generation in US history, the post war "baby boom." After being indoctrinated by the Media-Education Complex into endorsing the communist "Separation of Church and State" doctrine, it was the "baby boomers" who would lead the 1960s Marxist campus revolutions. While "Boomers" were ingesting drugs on campuses, they were confident that it was the Bible and Christianity that are a threat to the survival of America - not drugs.

THE 1960S REVOLUTIONS



Famous radical Jerry Rubin advocating revolution

In the 1960s, the media began declaring journalism is "the rough draft of history." However, this idea becomes patently ridiculous in the way the "mediums" portrayed the 1950s Republican McCarthy investigations into the communist infiltration of American government, entertainment and education. "There was no underground swarm of treasonous "reds" in America," journalists scoffed for decades. "No, no, no - it was nothing more than the paranoid delusion of evangelicals, conservatives and Republicans." "Anyone," they insisted, "who believes that there is a secret 'communist conspiracy' in America is a paranoid 'conspiracy theorist'."

In 1964, just after President John Kennedy was assassinated and many Americans weren't buying the federal fairy tale of the lone gunman, celebrated historian Richard Hofstadter published a book - *The Paranoid Style in American Politics*. It came out the month Lyndon Johnson was elected president. In psychiatry, the word "paranoid" is usually coupled with "schizophrenic." Therefore, anyone who believes there is a leftist conspiracy in the media is certifiably insane. Apparently, Americans are so frightened of being thought crazy, they have accepted the media "paranoid conspiracy theorist" hoax.

Speaking of conspiracy, has anyone noticed that the media is in an obvious conspiracy with the Democrat Party today trying to overthrow a legally elected Republican president? Is the media correct in their conviction that only paranoiac wing nuts think the media is the house organ of the Democrat Party?

The media's Big Lie that there is no communist threat in America was revealed as utter fraud in the 1960s. By the time the Baby Boomers were entering college, Marxist professors had become standard fixtures in academia and the university was a breeding ground for new American communists. In the media, communism was now holding the intellectual and moral high ground. Today, a half century later, the Democrat Party is openly proclaiming the gospel of Socialism and Communism. A number of Democrat presidential candidates, 1950s Soviet-loving Bernie Sanders leading the pack, are carrying the "red" banner and have seduced a critical mass of gullible millennials (born from 1981-1996). By the way, did you know that "Millennium" and "millennial" have a distinctly fundamentalist genealogy? How ironic!

Howard Zinn is the classic example of the communist professor comfortably nested in the Ivory Tower. He was a longtime member of the Boston University faculty and his history book, *A People's*

History of the United States, was published the year Ronald Reagan was elected president. It presented the Soviet perspective on American history just as Reagan was reviving America's God and Country beliefs. Zinn presented America as history's evil empire. Zinn announced on the Dennis Praeger radio show his belief that History's Great Nation was one of the catastrophes of history. This is nonsensical drunk-talk by the author of the most popular history book on college campuses. It has sold 2.5 million copies.

After the Soviet Union collapsed in the 1990s and its files were declassified, Zinn was revealed as being on the Soviet payroll. He was not a fair-minded historian; he was a paid communist propagandist. Let's not forget how the media screeched in outrage when President Reagan called the USSR the "evil empire" that would attack Israel and trigger the tribulation era predicted in the Bible. So, really - what is this 70-year-old idea that communists have infiltrated America with plans to take it over - genuine conspiracy or paranoid schizophrenia?





In the broad sweep of American history, what is known as "fundamentalism" turns out to be one of America's foundational and significant movements. It never died, it just turned into "evangelicalism" and is held in its remnant form by the largest electoral bloc in America - evangelicals. By the time America's 200th anniversary (1976) rolled around, Democrat Party leaders read the opinion polls and realized Americans were sick of New Deal socialism. As a measure of how large the "fundamentalist" - i.e., "Bible believing" - constituency is in America, the Democrat Party was forced to install two fake "fundamentalist" presidents in the last half of the 20th century - on either side of the "Reagan Revolution."

What the records of both Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton have revealed is that they were not the "born again" Southern Baptists (i.e., Bible-believing fundamentalists) the media portrayed them as. Elected in 1976 on America's 200th birthday, Carter was instrumental in shattering an American ally in the Middle East, the regime of the Shah of Iran. This had the effect of reviving an Islamic theocracy that is now rattling a nuclear sword at America. Carter was later critical of America's only other serious ally in

the Mid-East, Israel. He publicly admonished Israel while supporting Israel's adversary, the Palestinians. That defines Carter as a liberal Protestant. Evangelicals are Israel's major supporters.

Clinton did a compelling impersonation of a churchgoing Southern Baptist while at the same time women were popping up and accusing him of not just adultery, but of rape. He became the second president to be impeached but he remained in office as liberal Democrats celebrated his *bad boy* survival.





By the time Ronald Reagan defeated Carter in the 1980 presidential election, the media was in its third decade of pretending the Soviet Union was morally, intellectually and militarily superior to America. They scoffed at Reagan and his aggressively anti-Soviet policy as an old fool playing with dynamite and inviting Armageddon. When Reagan actually accomplished his stated goal - "we win, they lose" - the media turned on a dime and said, "Come on! What accomplishment? The USSR was on its last legs and Reagan just presided over its collapse." This argument was the opposite of the 30-year media lectures that the mighty USSR might win the cold war.

Who remembers that it was a coalition of evangelical leaders, like Jerry Falwell, that got Reagan elected? And who knows that Reagan was an authentic 1920s fundamentalist, the most Bible-knowledgeable president since Abraham Lincoln? Reagan was a teenage Bible-study leader in a Midwest fundamentalist church at the time of the Scopes Trial. His girlfriend was the pastor's daughter. By the time he graduated high school, his church believed he would become a pastor.

Reagan terrified the media with his Bible prophecy talk. Reagan based his "defeat Russia" policy on his stated fundamentalist prophecy belief that the Soviets were the manifestation of the last days Gog and Magog Bible prophecy. It was that belief that inspired Reagan's mission to defeat the USSR. He

is on record as believing the Soviets would attack Israel and trigger the Bible-forecast *Tribulation era*. He revived the 1920s fundamentalist prophecy beliefs that had percolated underground for most of the 20th century. He also initiated an evangelical revival that looked a little like *the third Great Awakening*. Who remembers that the best-selling book of the whole decade preceding Reagan's election was the fundamentalist "The Late Great Planet Earth?"

THE CLINTON WACO MASSACRE



While President Clinton was pretending to be a Southern Baptist Bible believer, he began a full-scale military war against a pseudo-fundamentalist compound in Waco, Texas within weeks of entering the Oval Office. To this day, there is no rational reason for the malevolent Waco operation. The cult posed no danger to anyone, but in the end, dozens in the cult were killed, including women and children. Clinton seemed to regard this unorthodox "fundamentalist" cult as an Islamic terrorist nest. Ever since the 1920s, fundamentalists were called "militant" for not accepting evolution as true science. The truth is, that from the Scopes character assassination and Bryan's strange death to the Waco massacre - it has been militant atheists that have been trying to kill fundamentalism. Waco took atheist "militancy" to full shock and awe "military."

THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS "ISLAMIC FUNDAMENTALISM"

The lasting legacy of the Scopes Hoax is "Islamic Fundamentalism." The media used the Scopes Trial to re-brand fundamentalism as an ancient, violent "religion." Later they wrapped Islam - that has waged all-out war against Christianity for more than a millennium - together with American fundamentalism as if they were Siamese Twins. This mind-control trick took on a life of its own in the media megaphone until today it has become a classic example of Hitler's Big Lie theory. Repeating a lie often enough bullies the collective mind into accepting a lie as truth. The truth is, Christian fundamentalism and "Islamic Fundamentalism" are as different as olive oil and motor oil. They are united only by the devious misuse of the word, "fundamentalism."

The plain fact is - Muslims are completely opposed to "the fundamental truths of the Bible." The Koran is a garbled rewriting of the Bible to where Jesus is a mere prophet and the Jews who authored the Bible, and the Christian followers of Christ, are the enemies of God, fit only for murder. By the same token Muslims can't be - by definition - "fundamentalists" because they reject the doctrines of fundamentalism. "Jesus was not born of a virgin and he didn't resurrect from the dead," they angrily declare. "He is not the divine Son of God!"

Dictionaries and encyclopedias once noted that "fundamentalism" is a uniquely American development inextricably wrapped up with American history. Genealogically, fundamentalism originated with the Puritans. The Media's consolidation of American fundamentalism and "Islamic fundamentalism" as a single thing is one of the Media's spectacular magic tricks. The fact that the fraud of "Islamic fundamentalism" has entered the international lexicon and is used by the most respected historians and thinkers today shows the dark sorcery of the media's mind-control technique – lies.

DOES THE BIBLE SAY ANYTHING ABOUT "MEDIUMS?"

"The Media" is a strange name because it means being *in the middle*, between two things. Obviously, "the people" are on one side, but who is on the other side? Stores classify men's, shirts as "small, *medium* and large." Medium stands between small and large. It is grammatically equivalent to call "the media" the "mediums." The term, "Mediums" is an ancient name that goes back into the mists of prehistory and describes figures that stood between the ancient gods and the people. A medium was a mouthpiece for the ancient gods. The Bible's 14 citations picture mediums as unambiguously evil. Mediums are called "witches," "sorcerers" and "magicians."

METAMORPHOSIS - AMERICA NOW IN A STATE OF APOSTASY

Let's remember that the early 19th century architect of the modern Democrat Party was called "the little magician." Martin Van Buren was known for his magical ability to pull electoral rabbits out of his hat to keep the Democrat Slave Party in power. The mass mediums have been able in nine decades to turn America from a nation shaped by the Bible into an apostate nation. Whether this fulfills the prophecies of Christ and Paul that the church age will end in apostasy - only time will tell.



America's Millennial Leaders

For the first time in history a slim majority of an American generation is *atheistic*. The Pew Research Center recently reported that less than half of the "millennial" generation claims to be Christian. Is this mere coincidence or the achievement of the goal of the atheist conspiracy that began with the Scopes Trial and then propagated by America's *mediums*? The mind control hoax that began with Scopes 95 years ago, and then was driven by the *mass mediums* in a form of mass hypnosis, seems to have finally metastasized into *apostasy*. Most Americans don't read the Bible anymore. And without

Scripture's guidance, the *mediums* may have, through the diabolical power of lies, sold the soul of America to the devil. Doesn't the Bible tell us that the devil is the king and instigator of lies and murder?

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